REMARKS

In the final Office Action mailed on October 21, 2004, the Examiner: rejected claims 1-3, 5-10 and 12-14 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter of the invention; and rejected claims 1-3, 5-10 and 12-14 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent Application No. 2003/0204814 to Elo et al. ("Elo"). Applicants herein cancel claims 1-3, 5-7, 9, 10 and 12-14, amend claim 8 to more particularly point out and distinctly claim Applicants' invention, and add new claims 15-22. As a result, claims 8 and 15-22 are now pending. Further examination and review in view of the remarks below are respectfully requested.

Applicants' techniques are directed to a network centric, thin client HTML application for enabling rapid and easy configuration of page delivery language objects. In some cases, Applicants' techniques involve configuring HTML display objects by defining a relevant business object model, building and configuring HTML display objects based on the business object model, and assembling the HTML display objects into an HTML application. The business object model is defined using style sheets and templates, and the HTML display objects are stored separately from the style sheets and templates.

I.   Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph

The Examiner rejected claims 1-3, 5-10 and 12-14 as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which the applicants regard as the invention. Applicants herein cancel claims 1-3, 5-7, 9, 10 and 12-14 and amend claim 8 making the Examiner's rejection moot. In particular, Applicants amend claim 8 to explicitly recite "defining a business object model for a user interface."

II.   Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 103

All of the claims stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) over Elo. Elo is directed to creating an on-line document from raw text. In Elo, an XML file is created from the raw text

of an article and stored in a file system. An XSL file provides templates containing computational relationships between the text and images. The XML and XSL style sheets are combined to generate an HTML file containing an on-line story.

Applicants hereby amend claim 8 to explicitly recite "defining a business object model for a thin client user interface" and "building and configuring HTML display objects based on the business object model, the HTML display objects being related and shared across a plurality of application deployments, the display objects' HTML presentation being controlled by a plurality of reusable templates that define the style and structure of the HTML, each template containing references to display objects which are either applets or controls, the display objects being stored separately from the templates, wherein similar applets are based on the same template." Elo neither discloses, suggests nor teaches defining a business object model for a thin client user interface, building and configuring HTML display objects based on the business object model, where the display objects' HTML presentation is controlled by a plurality of reusable templates that define the style and structure of the HTML, or storing the display objects separate from the templates, wherein similar applets are based on the same template.

Newly added claims 15-22 recite features similar to those recited in claim 8, which are neither taught nor suggested by Elo as discussed above.

III. **Conclusion**

In view of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully submit that claims 8 and 15-22 are allowable and ask that this application be passed to allowance. If the Examiner has any questions or believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is encouraged to call the undersigned at (206) 359-8000.

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